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REMARKS

The Examiner deemed Applicant's response of December 9, 2004 incomplete and requested that Applicant would supply a corrected set of amended claims in which claim identifiers for claims 71 and 93 are stated as "currently amended" and amendments to the claims are marked-up. In compliance with the revised 37 CFR 1.121, Applicant submits the corrected claim set herewith. Apart from marking-up amendments to claims 71 and 93 and changing the claims' status to "currently amended," the claim set submitted herewith is identical to the one submitted with Applicant's response on December 9, 2004. The corrections submitted herewith do not introduce any new matter and are submitted to comply with formalities required by the revised 37 CFR 1.121.

In conclusion, Applicant respectfully submits that corrected amended claim set satisfies the requirements of the revised 37 CFR 1.121 and therefore, objections to claims 71 and 93 may be properly withdrawn.

However, the Commissioner is authorized hereby to charge any additional fees that may be necessary in connection with prosecution of the above-identified application to Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP Deposit Account NO: 08-3038. In the interest of expediting prosecution, the Examiner has questions or comments he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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